



MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

October 26, 2004

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT:

The San Bruno City Council met in regular session at the San Bruno Senior Center 1555 Crystal Springs Road. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Franzella thanked the **San Bruno Garden Club** for providing the beautiful floral arrangement.

1. ROLL CALL: Presiding was Mayor Franzella with Councilmembers O'Connell, Ruane, Ibarra, and Pallas in attendance with Clerk Simon recording.

City Clerk Simon led the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Franzella presented **Proclamations of Public Recognition** to San Bruno Volunteer Firefighters Darrel Mero, Erick Digre, Leo Inferrera, and George Peponis. Fire Chief Voreyer gave highlights of each firefighters career and thanked them all for their tremendous contribution to the San Bruno Community.

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA: Item number 9, the staff report regarding CATV promotional account policy revision, was pulled and will be placed on a future agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Council meeting minutes of October 12, 2004 were approved as submitted.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR: All items listed are considered routine or implement an earlier Council action and may be enacted by one motion; there will be no separate discussion unless requested by Councilmember, citizen or staff.

- a. **Approve: Payroll** of October 8, 2004
- b. **Approve: Accounts Payable** of September 20, and October 4, 2004. (Council Packets only, copy is available for review at the City Clerk's office)
- c. **Accept:** Reconciliation of **General Ledger** to Bank reports and the **Investment Report** dated September 30, 2004 as submitted by City Treasurer Karen Hornung.
- d. **Approve:** Scheduled **salary step-increase** for City Clerk effective November 1, 2004. Change from step 3 to step 4 would result in an increase of \$304 per month.
- e. **Adopt:** Introduction of resolution **approving bylaws** for the recently established Culture & Arts Commission.
- f. **Approve:** Award of bid for the purchase of **two (2) 2005 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors** from Folsom Lake Ford.
- g. **Adopt:** Resolution with notice of intent to amend Personnel Rules & Regulations to revise the job description of the **Financial Services Supervisor**. Sets public hearing date of November 9, 2004.

End of consent calendar

M/S Ruane/Pallas to approve consent calendar and passed by unanimous vote.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (Notices have been published, posted, and mailed.) **None**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. City Manager Jackson recommends the City Council adopt San Bruno Ordinance No. 1698 establishing an **Emergency Communication System Response fee** (911 access fee). Waive second reading, introduction and roll call vote.

(This item was tabled by earlier action during a closed session of the Council)

- b. Finance Director O’Leary recommends the City Council adopt a resolution **setting the fee** for implementing the Emergency Communication System Response Fee Program (911 access fee) at \$1.75 per month for access lines. Introduction and roll call vote.

(This item was tabled by earlier action during a closed session of the Council)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

7. CALL FOR, PRESENTATION OF BIDS, and AWARD OF CONTRACTS:

Community Development Director Williams recommended the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Jerry Haag, Urban Planner, for environmental review services for the **Peninsula Christian Fellowship Church** proposal at 999 Cedar Ave.

Director Williams gave staff report to City Council and recommended approval since the City must prepare the environmental review. The cost will be recovered from the Peninsula Christian Fellowship Church.

Councilmember Ibarra asked about the environmental work, which has been done during the last year. Director Williams said the City did receive an invoice of \$1800 for work already performed.

Councilmember Ruane introduced the resolution for adoption and it was passed with all Ayes.

8. COMMUNICATIONS: None

9. STAFF REPORTS:

CATV Director Gyaltsen recommends City Council adopt resolution approving revision to San Bruno Cable **CATV Promotional Account Policy**.

(This item was pulled and will be brought back to the City Council at a later date.)

10. REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY - RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None

11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

Robert Riechel of 7th Avenue reported that as the representative to the San Mateo County Mosquito Abatement District, he wished to inform our citizens that as we enter the winter season, mosquitoes still breed in standing water. Some residents collect rainwater and he reminded them to cover every container with a tight fitting piece of small mesh window screen. Cooking oil on top of water is not an effective way of killing mosquitoes. **Mayor Franzella** asked that this message be run on Cable TV channel 11.

Robert Riechel of 7th Avenue thanked the Mayor and Council, City Manager Jackson, and Public Works Director Munns for active support given these past 12 months that culminated in actual clearing work starting in parts of the Angus Ditch and in parts of the 7th Avenue South Ditch to the East of 7th Avenue.

The request to return the ditch to its original design and water capacity and to be maintained yearly still needs to be addressed. He asked if the Citizen Advisory Committee on Grade Separation would be meeting soon? **Mayor Franzella** answered that yes they would be; however, no date has been set.

Councilmember Pallas thanked the staff for completing and putting Well No. 20 on line last week. It is a class 1A well and the staff should be complimented for the great job. This well pumps over 600 gallons per minute and will save the City money.

Tedi (Theadora) Vriheas from SBC Communications publicly recognized Connie Jackson, Pamela Thompson, and Jim O’Leary for working so well with SBC during these difficult times. She thanked them for recognizing both parties position and being so professional and helpful. **Mayor Franzella** thanked the speaker and said the City looks forward to working with SBC again.

12. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:

- a. **The San Bruno Citizens Crime Prevention Committee** presented an oral annual report to the City Council.

Susan Morton, Chair of the committee, gave a detailed report to the City Council. The committee is currently working on three major projects; first, neighborhood watch, second, Message Board channel 11 crime prevention tips, and third, DNA samples from family members which is much more reliable than finger printing.

Councilmember Ibarra congratulated the committee on such a thorough report.

Mayor Franzella thanked the committee for all their hard work and especially Chair Morton for the number of volunteer years with the City of San Bruno.

Councilmember Pallas said Chair Morton replaced him when he was on the Crime Prevention Committee 25 years ago and she has not changed at all and looks the same.

- b. Received report and recommendation from the **Parks & Recreation Commission** regarding use of alcoholic beverages in City parks.

Director Mazzuca gave the report to the City Council and said the Commission has a desire to pursue this issue further and that Chair Medina would provide more information.

Chair Medina reviewed the history of Council action regarding the use of alcohol in City Parks since 1987. Many of the drinking problems, which have been discontinued at Forest Lane Park, are now occurring at Lions Field Park near Belle Air School.

Mayor Franzella said it would be pro-active to move to a policy where alcohol would be allowed by permit so we would know and advise the police if additional coverage is needed.

Councilmember Pallas said he does not want any alcohol use near the playgrounds but use at sites such as Beckner Shelter would be acceptable.

Councilmember Ruane said he would not oppose a complete ban on the use of alcohol in all City parks. He would like to know what type of police enforcement would be required. He would like to see more discussion and further review by the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Mayor Franzella said a permit process would continue to allow use of alcohol at Beckner Shelter and the other picnic sites near the swimming pool.

Councilmember Ibarra said the perception might be that problems are from non-residents and it should be clear-cut that we either do or do not allow alcohol use. He is in favor of going forward with more study.

Mayor Franzella said there is Council support to control alcohol and the Commission should work with the police department to bring back a more detailed report with alternatives in the near future.

Vice Mayor O’Connell asked if during the Park Master Plan studies, there was a mention of problems from the use of alcohol in City parks?

Chair Medina replied that there was no outcry during the hearings; however, concerns about the Lions Field area were raised.

- c. Project Pride Committee (Pallas) reminded the public that Friday October 29, 2004, is the **Annual Halloween Parade**. San Bruno children 10 and under should arrive in costume at the Recreation Center Gymnasium in City Park at 3:30 p.m. Fun and treats for all plus special prizes.

Councilmember Pallas said the Halloween Parade started in 1980 and we are all prepared for this year’s event. He thanked the sponsors; Shops at Tanforan, Artichoke Joes Casinos, San Bruno Investment, and Long’s Drug Stores. The first 15 winners will receive prizes along with a bag of candy for all participants.

- d. City Clerk Simon recommended the City Council **fill vacancies on committees, boards, and commissions**. There are eighteen (18) vacancies (4-year terms) due to terms expiring October 31, 2004, and one (1) additional vacancy (2-year term) on the Planning Commission due the resignation of Mark Tobin.

Mayor Franzella clarified that there are actually two vacancies on the Planning Commission because of the retirement of Commissioner Schindler.

Planning Commission;

M/S Ibarra/O’Connell to appoint incumbents Johnson and Sammut and passed by unanimous vote.

M/S O’Connell/Pallas to appoint Sujendra Mishra to replace Schindler and passed by unanimous vote.

M/S Ruane/O’Connell to appoint Rick Biasotti to replace Tobin and passed by unanimous vote.

Parks & Recreation Commission;

M/S Pallas/O’Connell to appoint incumbents Medina and Cook and passed by unanimous vote.

Personnel Board:

M/S Ruane/O’Connell to appoint incumbent Deorsie Kenyatta and passed by unanimous vote.

M/S Ruane/Ibarra to appoint Leslie Cullinane to replace Cordes and passed by unanimous vote

Crime Prevention Committee:

M/S Pallas/Ruane to appoint incumbents Carrasco and Morton and passed by unanimous vote.

Community Preparedness Committee;

M/S Ruane/Pallas to appoint incumbents Peponis and Johnson and passed by unanimous vote.

Traffic Safety & Parking Committee;

M/S Ibarra/O’Connell to appoint incumbents Giuseponi and Jalilie and passed by unanimous vote.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Committee;

M/S Ruane/O’Connell to appoint incumbents Gomes and Craib and passed by unanimous vote.

M/S Ibarra/Ruane to appoint incumbents Hons, Fearon, and Blanco and passed by unanimous vote.

Vice Mayor O’Connell thanked all the citizens for applying. Unfortunately there are more applicants than positions open and she encouraged everyone not appointed to keep trying. She also thanked City Clerk Simon for arranging the interviews and assisting the applicants.

13. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Closed Session requested by City Attorney Thompson regarding the Orlando **personal injury claim** against the City of San Bruno. (Gov’t Code Section 54956.9(b).(3) Potential litigation)

b. Closed Session for labor negotiations with the San Bruno Professional Fire Fighters Association. (Gov’t Code Section 54957.8)

(Both items were discussed during the special closed session meeting at 6:00 p.m. and no additional action was needed.)

Councilmember Pallas requested the Council consider placing an item on the next meeting agenda to direct staff to determine the feasibility of “restoring the Council Chambers” at City Hall.

Mayor Franzella said at this time we are having budget shortfalls and it is not prudent to spend any kind of money to restore the Council Chambers. He does agree that we need a permanent home.

Councilmember Pallas said we should have the amount it would cost so we can make plans to raise the money.

Councilmember Ruane said he does not wish to discuss.

Vice Mayor O’Connell wanted to clarify that most of the other commissions do not want to televise their meetings. The Senior Center has more parking and better lighting than City Hall and people have come here with no problems reported to the Council.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Franzella requested a moment of silence for **Marcia DeHart**, former code enforcement officer, for the City of San Bruno. She was killed earlier in the week in a tragic accident.

With no further business to transact, at 8:00 p.m. meeting was adjourned to the regular City Council meeting of November 9, 2004, starting at 7:00 p.m. at the San Bruno Senior Center 1555 Crystal Springs Road.

**Respectfully submitted for approval
at the regular City Council meeting of
November 9, 2004**

Ed Simon, City Clerk

Larry Franzella, Mayor